

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 345

Introduced by Assembly Member Granlund

February 18, 1997

An act to amend Section 18025 of the Education Code, relating to libraries.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 345, as introduced, Granlund. Libraries.

Existing law requires that the state allocation for a library's foundation program be equal to 10% of that program and requires the proportional reduction of the state allocation to a library for its foundation program if local revenues total less than 90% of the cost of the foundation program.

This bill would require the method of allocation to be changed to a simple per capita allocation based on the population served by each public library if in any fiscal year the amount appropriated to the Public Library Fund reaches a certain amount.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 18025 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:
3 18025. (a) For the 1982–83 fiscal year and each fiscal
4 year thereafter, the State Librarian shall determine the
5 amount to which each public library is entitled for

1 support of the library during the fiscal year. The amount
2 shall be equal to 10 percent of the cost of the foundation
3 program as determined pursuant to Section 18022.

4 ~~(b) If local revenues appropriated for a public library~~
5 ~~for the 1982-83 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter,~~
6 ~~including tax revenues made available under Chapter 282~~
7 ~~of the Statutes of 1979, total less than 90 percent of the cost~~
8 ~~of the foundation program as determined pursuant to~~
9 ~~Section 18022, the state allocation for that fiscal year shall~~
10 ~~be reduced proportionately. If, in any fiscal year, the~~
11 ~~amount appropriated to the Public Library Fund is~~
12 ~~nineteen million forty-three thousand dollars~~
13 ~~(\$19,043,000) or more, the method of allocation shall be~~
14 ~~changed to a simple per capita allocation based on the~~
15 ~~population served by each public library as certified by~~
16 ~~the State Librarian. Until the state's budgetary~~
17 ~~appropriation reaches this level, the allocation method~~
18 ~~used in the 1996-97 fiscal year shall remain in effect. It is~~
19 ~~the intent of this subdivision to change to a more~~
20 ~~equitable allocation formula and that no library shall be~~
21 ~~harmed by this change.~~

22 (c) If local revenues appropriated for a public library
23 for the 1982-83 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter,
24 including tax revenues made available under the
25 provisions of Chapter 282 of the Statutes of 1979, total
26 more than 90 percent of the cost of the foundation
27 program as determined pursuant to Section 18022, the
28 state allocation for that fiscal year shall remain at 10
29 percent of the cost of the foundation program as
30 determined pursuant to Section 18022.

31 (d) In order for a public library to receive state funds
32 under this chapter in the 1983-84 fiscal year and any fiscal
33 year thereafter, the total amount of local revenues
34 appropriated for the public library for that fiscal year,
35 including tax revenues made available under Chapter 282
36 of the Statutes of 1979 and other revenues deemed to be
37 local revenues according to Section 18023, shall be equal
38 to at least the total amount of local revenues, as defined,
39 appropriated for the public library in the previous fiscal
40 year. State funds provided under this chapter shall

1 supplement, but not supplant, local revenues
2 appropriated for the public library.

3 (e) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (d), or any other
4 provision of law, in the 1993–94 fiscal year, any city,
5 county, district, or city and county, that reduces local
6 revenues appropriated for the public library for the
7 1993–94 fiscal year shall continue to receive state funds
8 appropriated under this chapter for the 1993–94 fiscal
9 year only, provided that the amount of the reduction to
10 the appropriation to that public library for the 1993–94
11 fiscal year is no more than 20 percent of the 1992–93 fiscal
12 year appropriation made to that public library as certified
13 by the fiscal officer of the public library and transmitted
14 to the State Librarian pursuant to Section 18023.

15 (2) Commencing with the 1993–94 fiscal year, and
16 each fiscal year thereafter, any city, county, district, or
17 city and county may request from the State Librarian a
18 waiver of the requirements of subdivision (d) or of
19 paragraph (1) by demonstrating that the percentage of
20 the reduction in local revenues appropriated for the
21 public library is no greater than the percentage of the
22 reduction of local revenues received by the city, county,
23 district, or city and county operating the public library as
24 a result of changes made to Chapter 6 (commencing with
25 Section 95) of Part 0.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code
26 by statutes enacted during or after the 1991–92 Regular
27 Session having the effect of shifting property tax revenues
28 from cities, counties, special districts, and redevelopment
29 agencies to school districts and community colleges.
30 Requests for the waiver and the substantiating
31 documentation shall be submitted to the State Librarian
32 along with the annual report of appropriation required by
33 Section 18023 or any other report of appropriations
34 applying to public libraries required by any other
35 provision of law.

36 (f) ~~In the event that~~ *If* the state allocations computed
37 pursuant to this section exceed the total amount of funds
38 appropriated for such purposes in any fiscal year, the
39 State Librarian shall adjust on a pro rata basis public
40 library allocations prescribed by this section so that the

1 total amount in each fiscal year does not exceed this
2 amount.

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